PATENT Docket No. 55436 USA 6A THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Applicant(s): Group Art Unit: 1744 Serial No.: 09/519,448 Examiner: Unassigned ARCE VELLER Filed: 5 March 2000 For: FLUID HANDLING DEVICES WITH DIAMOND-LIKE FIRE PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington D.C. 20231 Sir: Prior to taking up the above-identified patent application for examination, please enter the following amendments. **In The Specification** On page 12, line 31, please delete " " and insert -09/519,449- therefor. On page 12, lines 31-32, please delete "(Attorney Docket No. 55330 USA 1A)". On page 12, line 32, please delete " and insert -09/519,447- therefor. On page 12, line 33, please delete "(Attorney Docket No. 55331 USA 8A)".

On page 12, line 34, please delete "Fort" and insert –Mort– therefor.

On page 17, line 19, please delete "______" and insert –09/519,449– therefore

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